GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Health Systems Strengthening – Engineering Staff of A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad (APVVP), Directorate of Public Health and Family Welfare (DPH &FW) and Directorate of Medical Education (DME) placed under the Technical Control of Andhra Pradesh Medical Services and Infrastructure Development Corporation (APMSIDC) – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (C1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms. No. 34 Dated.25-02-2011 Read the following:

- 1. G.O.Ms.No.48, HM&FW (C1) Dept., dt. 29-01-2000.
- 2. From the Commissioner, APVVP, Lr.Rc.No.5932/E.2/2009, dt.30-06-2009.
- 3. From the Commissioner, APVVP, Lr.Rc.No.5767/Plg.1/2009, dt.20-08-2009.

ORDER:

- 1. The Health, Medical and Family Welfare (HM&FW) Department is responsible, amongst several other tasks, for the management of a large number of health centres, hospitals, medical institutions, offices and residential quarters spread across Andhra Pradesh. Over the years, the Government has sanctioned a number of engineering posts under the control of the department for the purpose of construction, maintenance, refurbishment, and repair of buildings. As the roles and responsibilities of the HM&FW department expanded and diversified, several sub-departments were created with the responsibility apportioned for primary health to the Directorate of Health (since renamed Directorate of Public Health and Family Welfare DPH & FW); secondary health to AP Vaidya Vidhana Parishad (APVVP); and medical education and tertiary health care assigned to the Directorate of Medical education (DME). Accordingly, the engineering personnel were divided amongst these departments.
- 2. Subsequently, the Government established A.P. Health Medical & Housing, Infrastructure Development Corporation (since renamed AP Medical Services and Infrastructure Development Corporation (APMSIDC) as the nodal agency to undertake construction and major repair of buildings, in addition to procurement of medicines and bio-medical equipment. However, even after the establishment of APMSIDC, APVVP continued to undertake construction and maintenance of hospital buildings along with procurement and maintenance of bio-medical equipment using its engineering staff. Similarly, engineering personnel under DME and DPH &FW continue to perform assorted functions relating to building maintenance and repairs. However, it has been observed by the Government that dispersal of engineering functionaries under different sub-departments without technical supervision or quality assurance system has contributed to dilution of technical standards and sometimes improper utilisation of resources.
- 3. Further, the Commissioner of A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad has brought to the notice of the Government in the reference second read above that as per clause 24 of G.O.Ms.No.94, I&CAD, dt.01-07-2003, an officer not below the rank of Executive Engineer (Quality Control) has to certify the work-bills. However, in the absence of quality control system, the APVVP engineering wing has been unable to comply with these requirements and other mandatory Rules. Further, based on reports of alleged irregularities in execution of civil works by the engineering wing of APVVP, the Hon'ble Health Minister had assured the Legislature that all engineering personnel of the HM&FW department would be brought under the control of APMSIDC.
- 4. The Government has carefully reviewed the entire matter and has decided that functional and operational integration of all engineering units and personnel under different sub-departments of Health, Medical and Family Welfare Department under the technical control of APMSIDC is essential for adherence to technical and quality parameters, efficient use of financial and technical resources and effective execution of civil, mechanical and electrical works. Accordingly, Government hereby order for the placement of all Engineering Units Civil, Electrical, Mechanical and Bio-Medical and all engineering personnel of all cadres of these units currently under the administrative control of A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad, Directorate of Public Health and Directorate of Medical Education under the technical control of APMSIDC with immediate effect.
- 5. The Government orders that one Executive Engineer, six Deputy Executive Engineers and fourteen Assistant Executive Engineers and the Bio-Medical Unit of APVVP; one Executive Engineer, one

Deputy Executive Engineer, two Assistant Executive Engineers and one Draftsman under the control of the Directorates of Medical Education and Public Health are hereby placed under the technical control of the Chief Engineer APMSIDC. All engineering staff of the MH&FW department shall strictly adhere to the rules, regulations, procedures, standards, procurement systems and quality standards stipulated by the Government and APMSIDC from time to time.

- 6. The Government orders that all civil, electrical and mechanical works of both capital and maintenance nature and the procurement and maintenance of Bio-Medical equipment of the HM&FW department shall be undertaken by APMSIDC. The Chief Engineer of APMSIDC shall compile the details of all capital and the maintenance works civil, electrical, mechanical and bio-medical to be taken up during each financial year under all sub-departments of HM&FW department and submit detailed proposals for administrative sanction to the government atleast sixty days before the start of the new financial year. The APMSIDC Chief Engineer shall review the spatial distribution and the work-load amongst all engineering staff and ensure equitable distribution of work responsibility amongst all staff. The chief Engineer of APMSIDC shall ensure that responsibility for capital and maintenance works of every hospital, health centre and health facility is assigned to one or more engineering personnel by name and designation. The Managing Director of APMSIDC shall undertake measures to build the capacity of all engineering staff and equip them with skills and competencies required for effective implementation of all engineering activities.
- 7. However, the current service conditions, seniority, salary and emoluments, and other entitlements of the engineering staff will remain unaffected and they will remain under the overall administrative and disciplinary control of the respective sub-department to which they currently belong. In order to secure effective administrative integration of all engineering personnel under the MH&FW department, a committee is hereby established under the chairmanship of Managing Director of APMSIDC with Commissioner APVVP, Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, and Directorate of Medical Education as Members and the APMSIDC Chief Engineer as the Member-Convenor. This committee shall critically review the service conditions of all engineering staff under all sub-departments and submit proposals to the Government for possible administrative integration of all engineering staff within six weeks.
- 8. The Managing Director of APMSIDC, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, Commissioner of A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad and Director of Medical Education shall take action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, Hyderabad

The Commissioner, A.P. Vaidya Vidhana Parishad, Hyderabad

The Director of Public Health, A.P Hyderabad

The MD, APMSIDC., Hyderabad

The Chief Engineer of APMSIDC, Hyderabad

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All District Medical & Health Officers

All District Coordinator of Hospital Services

All Superintends of Teaching, District and Area Hospitals in the state

All Senior Public Health Officers in the State

The Principal Auditor-General of Andhra Pradesh

All Engineers of MH&FW Department

The OSD to the Minister of Medical and Health Department

The PS to the Special CS to CM

The PS to Principal Secretary (M&H)

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